In response to that Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1-15, to read as follows (a version of those claims, marked to show the changes made thereto, is appended):

1.   (Amended) An image processing method for performing a color process based on a color appearance model, said method comprising the steps of:

inputting location information which relates to a positional relation between a viewing subject in a data source side and a viewing subject in a data destination side;

setting a parameter of viewing condition based on the inputted location information; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

2.   (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the parameter includes a chromatic adaptability condition.

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3. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of inputting plural sets of viewing information which relate to a viewing condition of the data source side and a viewing condition of the data destination side.

4. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the color process comprises color matching processing based on profiles of the data source side and the data destination side.

5. (Amended) An image processing method having a user interface for manually inputting location information which relates to a positional relation between a viewing subject in a data source side and a viewing subject in a data destination side, and a user interface for manually inputting viewing information which relates to a viewing condition, for performing color process on input image data based on a color appearance model, said method comprising the steps of:

setting a parameter of viewing condition based on the inputted location information and viewing information; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

6. (Amended) An image processing method for performing color process on input image data based on a color appearance model, said method comprising the steps of:

inputting a manual instruction of a user, which relates to conditions for respectively adjusting balance and absolute intensity of a chromatic adaptability;

setting a parameter of the chromatic adaptability from the inputted balance and absolute intensity; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

7. (Amended) An image processing method, which includes using a user interface for inputting various conditions which relate to a color process based on a color appearance model, for performing the color process on input image data based on the color appearance model, comprising the step of changing construction of components of the user interface in accordance with user selection, wherein such constructions suited to a color expert and suited to general users are available.

8. (Amended) An image processing apparatus for performing a color process based on a color appearance model, said apparatus comprising:

an inputting section, arranged to input location information which relates to a positional relation between a viewing subject in a data source side and a viewing subject in a data destination side;

a setter, arranged to set a parameter of viewing condition based on the inputted location information; and

a processor, arranged to perform the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

9. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the parameter includes a chromatic adaptability condition.

10. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said input means further inputs plural sets of viewing information which relate to a viewing condition of the data source side and a viewing condition of the data destination side.

11. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the color process comprises color matching processing based on profiles of the data source side and the data destination side.

12. (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium storing computer program codes, for an image processing method performing a color process based on a color appearance model, said product comprising process procedure codes for:

inputting location information which relates to a positional relation between a viewing subject in a data source side and a viewing subject in a data destination side;

setting a parameter of viewing condition based on the inputted location information; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

13.   (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium storing computer program codes, for an image processing method performing a color process on input image data based on a color appearance model, said product comprising process procedure codes for:

realizing a user interface to manually input location information which relates to a positional relation between a viewing subject in a data source side and a viewing subject in a data destination side;

realizing a user interface to manually input viewing information which relates to a viewing condition;

setting a parameter of viewing condition based on the inputted location information and viewing information; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

14.   (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium storing computer program codes, for an image processing method

performing a color process on input image data based on a color appearance model, said product comprising process procedure codes for:

inputting manual instruction of a user, which relates to conditions for respectively adjusting balance condition and absolute intensity of a chromatic adaptability;

setting a parameter of the chromatic adaptability from the balance · condition and absolute intensity; and

performing the color process based on the color appearance model by using the set parameter.

15.   (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer readable medium storing computer program codes, for an image processing method performing a color process on input image data based on a color appearance model, said product comprising process procedure codes for:

realizing a user interface to input various conditions which relate to color process based on the color appearance model; and

changing construction of components of the user interface in accordance with user selection, wherein the construction suited to a color expert and suited to general users are available.